

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.**

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Hearing Room, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, LaSalle Building, 617 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m. on **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2009**, upon the application of **EL PASO E&P COMPANY, LP**.

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the **Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A**, in the Holly Field, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana.

1. To authorize Applicant to drill, designate and utilize two (2) horizontal wells as additional alternate unit wells for CV RA SUG at the locations shown on the plat submitted with the application, with the location of one of the proposed wells being in lieu of the location approved by Office of Conservation Order No. 88-E-132, effective May 5, 2009, and to approve exceptions to the spacing provisions of Order No. 88-E, effective August 1, 1975, for all productive portions of the wellbores of these wells located at least 330 feet from a unit boundary.
2. To authorize Applicant to drill, designate and utilize one (1) horizontal well as an additional alternate unit well for CV RA SUH at the location shown on the plat submitted with the application, in lieu of the location approved by Order No. 88-E-133, effective May 5, 2009, and to approve an exception to the spacing provisions of Order No. 88-E, effective August 1, 1975, for all productive portions of the wellbore of this well located at least 330 feet from a unit boundary.
3. To authorize Applicant to drill, designate and utilize three (3) horizontal wells as additional alternate unit wells for CV RA SUW at the locations shown on the plat submitted with the application, with the location of one of the proposed wells being in lieu of the location approved by Order No. 88-E-134, effective May 5, 2009, and to approve exceptions to the spacing provisions of Order No. 88-E, effective August 1, 1975, for all productive portions of the wellbores of these wells located at least 330 feet from a unit boundary.
4. To find that each of the proposed alternate unit wells is necessary to efficiently and economically drain a portion of the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, underlying the unit on which it is to be located which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well on such unit.
5. To provide that where the horizontal portion of a well is cased and cemented back above the top of the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, the distance to any unit boundary and between offset wells will be calculated based on the distance to the nearest perforation in the well and not on the penetration point or terminus of the well in the Cotton Valley Formation.
6. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A was defined in Order No. 88-E, effective August 1, 1975.

A plat is available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge and Shreveport**, Louisiana.

<http://dnr.louisiana.gov/conshearings>

All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

**BY ORDER OF:**

**JAMES H. WELSH**  
**COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION**

Baton Rouge, LA

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